# LEAVENWORTH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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### **Leavenworth County Health Department COVID-19 Update**

Today (03-21-2020) at 4:00 PM, the Leavenworth County Health Department (LCHD) reports:

- 42 people tested, with 27 negative results
- 11 pending lab result
- 12 people tested from private labs with all negative results.
- Four (4) total positive cases.

#### **Disinfecting Your Home if Someone is Sick**

Clean surfaces using soap and water. Practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces.

## High touch surfaces include:

Tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, sinks, etc.

#### Disinfect

Use diluted household bleach solutions if appropriate for the surface. Check to ensure the product is not past
its expiration date. Unexpired household bleach will be effective against coronaviruses when properly diluted.
 Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Never mix household bleach with
ammonia or any other cleanser.

To make a bleach solution, mix:

- 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water OR
- 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water
- Alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol.
- **Household cleaners and disinfectants:** Clean the area or item with soap and water or another detergent if it is dirty. Then, use a household disinfectant.

**Follow the instructions on the label** to ensure safe and effective use of the product.

Many products recommend:

- Keeping the surface wet for several minutes to ensure germs are killed.
- Precautions such as wearing gloves and making sure you have good ventilation during use of the product.

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